

WEEK OF DECEMBER 4

SPARK FAMILY NEWSLETTER



Calendar

December 4 & 5 - SPARK Garden Lights 6-7:30pm

December 4 - 8 - District Assessment: MAP Reading Fluency - Winter Testing K-3

December 6 - Private shopping event @ VAHI Books 8-10 AM

December 6 - Chorus Concert @ 6pm

December 8 - SPARK Spelling Bee

December 15 - PJ Day and Holiday Sing-Along + SPARK Community Gathering @ 8:00

December 18-January 2 - Semester Break

January 10 - 5th Grade Bowling Night



Events

10 Days of SPARK Cheer: Join us in celebrating this holiday season with daily spirit days! [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

SPARK Garden Lights: Come get into the holiday spirit at [SPARK Garden Lights!](#) Grades K-2 are invited to attend on 12/4 and grades 3-5 on 12/5. The event will take place from 6-7:30pm on the rooftop garden. If you are planning to attend, please fill out this form so we have enough supplies. [RSVP Form](#)

SPARK @ Atlanta Hawks: Please come out and support our SPARK Chorus and AC kids as they sing the US and Canadian National Anthems on Sunday, January 28th at 6:00pm! Each ticket sale include \$10 worth of concession stand credit. [CLICK HERE](#) to get your tickets NOW to ensure you get this deal!

Private Shopping Event @ VAHI Books: Join the SPARK PTO for a private shopping event at Virginia Highland Books on Wednesday, December 6th from 8 AM to 10 AM. [CLICK HERE](#) to view more!

Virginia Highland District Winterfest: Celebrate the season with many activities right in our own community! You can even walk with SPARK in the parade on Saturday, Dec. 9th from 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM. We will meet on University Ave. & Lanier Blvd. @ 9:30 AM. The walk will end @ Los Angeles Ave. All are welcome! **Other VAHI Winterfest events include:** Tour of Lights, Jingle Jog fun run, Holiday Motor Parade, and Gift Market. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to purchase tickets!



Announcements:

Join SPARK's Parent Teacher Organization: We strive to have 100% of families join the PTO, which helps support the enrichment, community, and fundraising of our school. [CLICK HERE](#) to join the PTO for the 23-24 school year!

Yearbook: Have you purchased a yearbook yet for the 23-24 school year? [CLICK HERE](#) to pre-order!

Winter MAP Growth Window: As we approach the upcoming MAP testing period, we want to ensure that both you and your child are well-prepared. The assessment dates are as follows:

- MAP Growth Reading - Grades K-5: Tuesday, November 28
- MAP Growth Math - Grades K-5: Thursday, November 30
- MAP Growth Science - Grades 5: Monday, December 4
- MAP Reading Fluency - Grades K-3: December 5-8

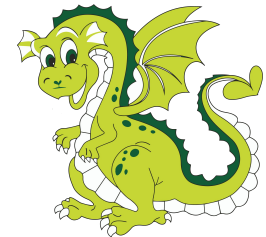
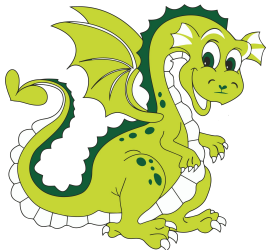
Don't forget to vote in the **December 5th** Runoff Election! Your vote is crucial!

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“N” is for News

Greetings SPARK Families,

I hope that you all enjoyed the Thanksgiving break and had time to enjoy friends and family. I enjoyed spending time with my family in Alabama and we had the best time together! We only have two weeks until the end of the semester and we are going to make each moment count for our Dragons! This week students began the winter administration of MAP assessments in reading and math. Our students presented their One Fair projects Friday and did a phenomenal job! I am one proud principal!

Have you heard the news about all the events happening at SPARK this week?

This week we will be celebrating Inclusive Schools Week from Monday, December 4th to Friday, December 8th. This special week is dedicated to recognizing, and celebrating students for all the wonderful qualities that make them unique! In line with this commitment, we have planned a variety of activities throughout the week to celebrate the differences that make each of our students special.

In addition, on Monday and Tuesday evenings, we invite the whole family to join us for SPARK's first annual Garden Lights event. We will have lights in the garden, music, snacks and art activities. Our SPARK Chorus will have their winter concert Wednesday at 6:00pm.

We also hope you'll join us at the Virginia Highland WinterFest parade happening on Saturday, December 9th at 10am. We will meet on University Ave. & Lanier Blvd at 9:30 AM. The walk will end at Los Angeles Ave. All are current and former SPARK families are welcome to join us! We hope you'll wear your SPARK gear along with something festive!

As always, we thank you for your ongoing support in creating a diverse and supportive community at our school.

With Love,

Dr. Jennifer Toney